

Our ref: 03/28/83/0228S

**Date:** 31 March 2008

CONSERVATION (NATURAL HABITATS &C.) REGULATIONS 1994
REVIEW OF CONSENTS FOR THORNE MOOR SPECIAL AREA OF CONSERVATION
(SAC), HATFIELD MOOR SPECIAL AREA OF CONSERVATION (SAC), THORNE AND
HATFIELD MOORS SPECIAL PROTECTION AREAS (SPA):

We wrote to you about your Surface water abstraction consent(s), which is in or close to Thorne Moor SAC, Hatfield Moor SAC, Thorne and Hatfield Moors SPA in March 2002. We said that we would keep you up to date with our work implementing the Habitats Directive, which is why I am writing to you now.

We have a legal obligation to consider the impact of our <u>existing</u> consents on the special features of the sites protected by the Habitats Regulations. As part of this, we have looked at all the permissions, licences, permits or consents that we have issued, on, or close to Thorne Moor SAC, Hatfield Moor SAC, Thorne and Hatfield Moors SPA to ensure that this internationally important site is protected for future generations.

I am pleased to inform you that the assessment carried out on your consent number(s) 03/28/83/0228S concluded that <u>no changes</u> to the present arrangements will be necessary under the Habitats Regulations. Your consent is hereby affirmed with its current conditions and restrictions.

Our decision to affirm your consent(s) is based on an assessment for the Habitats Regulations only. It does not mean that there may not be possible changes to your consent under other legislation, in the future.

For further information about this work, please see the enclosed factsheet. If you have any further questions please contact me, Louise S Duffy, on 0115 846 2651. I would be happy to help.

Yours sincerely,

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